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## **PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE**

2003 is now behind us and there's much to look back on. The Stack's Americana Sale started the year's events. Then there was the EAC Convention and ANA Summer Convention. The ANS had an awesome Coinage of the Americas Conference (COAC). A new auction house was born – American Numismatic Rarities. Stack's sold the John Ford Reference Collections of Continental Coinage, Vermont Coppers, New Jersey Coppers and Fugio Cents. C4 had its 9<sup>th</sup> annual auction cataloged by M&G, which featured the John Griffiee Reference Collection of St Patrick's Coinage. The C4 Convention was pleased to have Dave Bowers as our featured speaker. These are just some of the highlights of the year. There are several friends who are not with us in 2004 but their memories will be with us. The hobby is a much better place because they were a part of it.

2004 has just begun and promises to be an exciting year. The second of the Stack's John Ford Sales will be this Spring. George Kolbe will be auctioning the first part of the John Ford Library, also this Spring. Bob Vlack's book about French Colonials will be in print early this year. The ANS publication of the Damon Douglas manuscript on NJ Coppers will be available in a few weeks. I have hopes of seeing two or three additional books in print this year also. C4 will celebrate its 10<sup>th</sup> Convention and also its 10<sup>th</sup> Annual Auction. Plans are already being made for educational events for this convention. I'm hoping for the best convention ever! Now's the time to start considering consigning to the auction.

I invite all of you to become active in C4 and enjoy the hobby even more than you do already. Just contact your regional VP and see how you can become involved.

**HAPPY NEW YEAR!**

**Ray Williams**



## LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

*Editors' Note: we are trying something new – printing interesting letters sent to us by you, the members. This will allow you to share your ideas, thoughts, and observations related to colonial coin collecting – without needing to write a full article. Send them in!*

I would like to pass an observation in relation to an article in the ninth annual C4 Convention Sale, November 8, 2003. On Page 20 it states: “The largest previous public offering of Saint Patrick farthings that we are aware of occurred with the march 1988 B&M sale of the Norweb collection, and that contained 40 farthings.”

Well about 5 or 6 years ago here in O’Rielly’s sale rooms in Dublin, 40 St. Patrick farthings were also offered for sale and sold. I would suggest that one major difference between the two sales would be that the coins in the Dublin sale were offered for sale in four lots of ten coins each!!!

David Palins, Dublin, Ireland  
5 December 2003

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**ERRATA FOR THE GRIFFEE ST. PATRICK FARTHING AUCTION CATALOG -- 2003 C4 NATIONAL CONVENTION :**  
At the 9<sup>th</sup> annual C4 Convention, the highlight of the auction on the evening of November 8, 2003 was the John Griffree collection of St. Patrick’s farthings. The catalog for this sale will become a classic reference for collectors of this series, and ensuring that it is as accurate as possible is important. John personally reviewed all lot descriptions and, after the sale, prepared the following errata:

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- Page 35, Lot 134: G# should read G21-4/1c
- Page 35, Lot 136: G# should read G21-4/2e
- Page 36, Lot 144: Coin type number should read B.216, G76-Type, annulet below King. Add, after B&M 1/94 sale listing: "B&M, 9/85 Sale, Lot #1368." Also, coin is not unique, as a duplicate, graded Good, was found in the Dublin National Museum earlier this year by C4 club members.
- Page 39, Lot 155: Correct Noyes plate number should read #73752
- Page 44, Lot 178: Correct Noyes plate number should read #72564
- Page 51, Lot 208: Correct Noyes plate number should read #72404
- Page 52, Lot 210: Add Noyes plate #72752
- Page 52, Lot 212: Variety number should read G81-2/1a
- Page 54, Lot 218: Variety number should read G83-4/0a; also, Noyes plate number should read #72399
- Page 56, Lot 223: Variety should read B208, G1-Type; also, the correct Noyes plate number should read #74330.

Consider either photocopying this page and inserting it into the catalog or making the changes directly into the catalog.

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The Bank of Canada has uploaded scans of their collection of French Regime coins and jetons here:

<http://www.currencymuseum.ca/eng/collection/browse2.html>

Gord Nichols





## ***SURVEY OF COLONIAL COINS RECOVERED IN SOUTHERN NEW JERSEY***

**(Wayne H. Shelby)**

**INTRODUCTION:** In October 1986, I was introduced into the world of colonial metal detecting by a good friend of mine, Steve Dolnack. Finding my first colonial site confirmed it as a lifetime hobby.

Discovering an unknown colonial site involves a lot of time and footwork. My practice is to walk fields looking for signs of brick, pottery, shell and black glass, but when in the woods, I have my metal detector tuned to listen for concentrations of iron. This method of metal detecting allows one to find early sites that have vanished through time. Though I metal detect throughout southern New Jersey, I concentrate on the more local areas of Burlington County, a region where many towns were settled quite early. For example: we find Burlington (1677), Mt. Holly (1677), Medford (1690), Willingboro (1688), Sykesville (1677), Cranbury (1697), Evesham (1680's), and a number of other communities whose names have changed over time.

Most dug copper coins do not come out of the ground in very good condition and therefore have little numismatic value. I believe that the real importance here is the historical information they can reveal when found in context.

I am providing information from sites I have discovered and recorded over the past 16 years in hope of giving an accurate perspective of the typical coins used in this region during colonial and early America. Most of these sites contained homes or were working areas and remained undisturbed until my initial findings.

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I am also reporting other notable artifacts found to provide better insight as to the actual age of these locations. To identify by number the various military buttons found at these sites use *Record of American Uniform and Historical Buttons Bicentennial Edition*<sup>1</sup> by Alphaeus H. Albert. The following is a useful guide to the reader for the approximate dates of the various button types:

• Doublet:	c. Pre 1700
• Vent Back:	c. 1700-1765
• Spun Back / Tombac:	c. 1740-1795
• Brass / No Back Marks:	c. 1740-1795
• 1-Piece Back Marked:	c. 1795-1840
• 2-piece Back Marked:	c. Post 1840

Even though their date cannot be deciphered, some of the found coins found can be identified when only the country and/or ruler are visible. Helpful reference material is provided in Table 1, which correlates country, monarchs and their respective dates.

My finds at 56 specific sites are presented immediately below. For each of these sites, I give the total number of coins found, and then provide a listing of the more important and identifiable ones. These sites account for a total of 807 coins, of which I can identify 491 while the remaining 316 were so deteriorated from their years in the ground that specific attribution was impossible. However, many of the 316 unknowns could at least be generally classified as to generic type or at least metallic composition, and will be included in following tables. These tables are:

Table 2: Summary of 1000 Coins Dug in southern NJ.

This table provides a complete list of 1000 coins I have found in the Burlington area. It is inclusive of the 807 coins found at the 56 sites described above in addition to another 193 finds from other sites throughout the Burlington County area. Also note that further evaluation of the 316 unidentifiable coins listed in the inventories from the 56 sites has reduced the census of absolute

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unknowns to only 144, which coins still bear no clues as to what they might have been.

### **Table 3: The Survey with Condensed Categories**

This table summarizes the 1000 by general type. Note that 144 coins could not be identified other than to metal type – they were in effect “metal disks.”

### **Table 4: Spanish Silver by Mint Mark**

In this table, I’ve provided a listing of Spanish and Spanish Colonial silver coins that had enough detail to identify as to date and mint. For coins found in one of the 56 sites, the number of the site is listed; those recovered from an unspecified Burlington-area site are indicated with an “xx.”

In the following discussion of the 56 sites, two issues should be addressed: (1) if the country of origin is not listed for halfpence and farthings, it is English and (2) “Spanish” is taken to mean Spanish-American, except in three cases, which are indicated by “Spanish (mint),” which are pistareens or their fractional parts from mainland Spain.

## **SITE # 1 BURLINGTON COUNTY, NEW JERSEY**

### **Recovered coins: 24 total**

1775 halfpenny (counterfeit)	1814 large cent
1785 Spanish 2 reales	1822 large cent
1797 large cent	1828 large cent
1803 half dime	1808 half cent
ND Spanish Carolus III 2 reales	

**Remarks:** Artifacts mostly concentrated, some scattered over approximately 5 acres. Probably was once a house site of some other type of structure. **Artifacts:** approximately 120 buttons that

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are mostly back marked with some being of the spun back type; an Artillery button (AY21 – 1802 to 1808); and a wax seal.

## **SITE # 2      BURLINGTON COUNTY, NEW JERSEY**

### **Recovered coins: 14 total**

1735 halfpenny	1810 large cent
1763 Irish halfpenny	No date William III halfpenny
1774 Spanish (Seville) 1 real	No date Carolus III Spanish 1/2 real
1775 halfpenny (counterfeit)	1803 half cent

**Remarks:** Artifacts mostly concentrated, some scattered over approximately 3 acres. Probably was once a house site or some other type structure. **Artifacts:** Approximately 50 buttons, mostly spun back with some vent back types, and some of the back marked type.

## **SITE # 3      BURLINGTON COUNTY, NEW JERSEY**

### **Recovered coins: 36 total**

1734 halfpenny	1798 large cent
1808 half cent	1774 halfpenny (counterfeit)
1802 large cent	1812 Russian kopeck
1776 Spanish 1/2 real	1804 large cent
1814 Spanish 1/2 real	1777 Spanish 1 real
1807 Spanish 1/2 real	1818 large cent
1791 Spanish 1/2 real	1807 large cent
1825 large cent	1797 cartwheel penny
1808 large cent	1847 large cent
No date Spanish 1/2 real Carolus III	
ND Canadian token early 19 <sup>th</sup> century	

**Remarks:** Artifacts spread evenly over approximately 20 acres of field. Probably was once some type of work area. **Artifacts:** Approximately 300 buttons, mostly back marked, some spun back

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type, Regiment of Artillerists buttons (AY38A -- 1811 to 1813), Regiment of Rifleman button (RF12), Pennsylvania 28<sup>th</sup> Regiment (A33), knee buckle.

## **SITE # 4      BURLINGTON COUNTY, NEW JERSEY**

### **Recovered coins: 26 total**

1787 NJ copper	1829 half dime
1788 NJ copper	1837 hard time token
1804 half cent	1840 General Harrison token
1822 large cent	1842 large cent
1825 large cent	1847 large cent
1827 large cent	1851 large cent
1828 half cent	1851 large cent
1852 large cent	1852 3-cent silver
1853 quarter	1854 half dime

**Remarks:** Artifacts concentrated. Probably was once a house site or some other type of structure. Later coppers also found dating up to 1864 but not recorded or included in the survey. **Artifacts:** Approximately 40 buttons, mostly back marked, some spun back type. British Artillery button of Post Revolutionary War period, beer keg spout.

## **SITE # 5      BURLINGTON COUNTY, NEW JERSEY**

### **Recovered coins: 40 total**

1725 Spanish (Seville) pistareen	1804 half cent
1733 halfpenny	1808 half dollar
1772 Spanish 1/2 real	1809 half cent
1781 Irish halfpenny	1817 large cent
1787 Fugio cent	1817 large cent
1788 Spanish 1/2 real	1819 large cent
1793 cut 1/2 8 reales counterfeit	1828 large cent
1800 large cent	1829 large cent
1830 large cent	1836 large cent

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1832 half dime  
1853 3-cent silver

1853 half dime  
1854 dime

**Remarks:** Artifacts spread out over approximately 20 acres, with 3 to 4 concentrations. Probably more than 1 house site with surrounding working areas. **Artifacts:** Approximately 150 buttons, mostly back marked, some spun back type, 4 Navy buttons (NA32A, NA69, NA72AV, NA88); button with Liberty and Union, button with eagle and shield, silver thimble, two brass rings.

### **SITE # 6      BURLINGTON COUNTY, NEW JERSEY**

#### **Recovered coins: 29 total**

1737 halfpenny  
1803 half cent  
1812 large cent  
1812 Canadian token  
1826 large cent

1829 half cent  
1834 half cent  
1851 large cent  
1853 3-cent silver

**Remarks:** Artifacts mostly concentrated, some spread out over 5 acres. Probably was once a house site or other structure. This is a mixed site that dates up to approximately the early 1900's. A number of later coins not recorded or included in the survey have been found. **Artifacts:** Approximately 75 buttons, mostly back marked, some spun back type, British Post Revolutionary War button, rifle escutcheon plate, cuff link with lady leaning on anchor, brass ring.

### **SITE #7      BURLINGTON COUNTY, NEW JERSEY**

#### **Recovered coins: 7 total**

1809 half cent  
1803 large cent

1801 large cent  
1816 large cent

**Remarks:** Artifacts concentrated. Probably was once a house site or other structure. This is a mixed site that dates up to approximately 1945. A number of later coins not recorded or included in the survey have been found. **Artifacts:** Nothing notable, just a few buttons.

**SITE #8            BURLINGTON COUNTY, NEW JERSEY**

**Recovered coins: 3 total**

1786 Connecticut copper  
1787 New Jersey copper

No date Connecticut copper

**Remarks:** Artifacts mostly concentrated, some scattered over approximately 3 acres. Probably was once a house site or other structure. **Artifacts:** Approximately 20 buttons, mostly spun back, some back marked.

**SITE # 9            BURLINGTON COUNTY, NEW JERSEY**

**Recovered coins: 20 total**

1734 halfpenny  
1736 halfpenny  
1752 halfpenny  
1761 Irish halfpenny  
1774 halfpenny counterfeit  
1781 Irish halfpenny  
No date Wm. III halfpenny

1782 Irish halfpenny  
1783 Nova Constellatio  
1788 New Jersey copper  
1796 large cent  
1797 half cent  
1804 half cent

**Remarks:** Artifacts concentrated. Probably was once a house site or other structure. **Artifacts:** Approximately 50 buttons, mostly spun back, some back marked, a few vent back type; NY State militia button (NY14).

**SITE # 10      BURLINGTON COUNTY, NEW JERSEY**

**Recovered coins: 8 total**

1769 Spanish 1/2 real	1837 large cent
1774 Spanish 1/2 real	1839 large cent
1819 large cent	

**Remarks:** Artifacts spread evenly over 5 acres. Probably was some type of work site. **Artifacts:** Approximately 50 buttons, generally back marked, with a few spun back type. Navy button (NA57A).

**SITE # 11      BURLINGTON COUNTY, NEW JERSEY**

**Recovered coins: 63 total**

1700 halfpenny	1814 Spanish 1/2 real
1739 halfpenny	1803 Spanish 1 real
1755 Portuguese reis	1803 Spanish 1 real
1781 Spanish 1/2 real	1787 Span. cut 1/2, 8R counterfeit
1797 Spanish 1/2 real	1788 Spanish 1/2 real
No date Wm. III farthing	No date Spanish 4 maravedis
1787 New Jersey copper	1803 half cent
1803 half cent	1809 half cent
1809 half cent	1810 half cent
1796 large cent	1797 large cent
1801 large cent	1807 large cent
1810 large cent	1811 large cent
1813 large cent	1814 large cent
1814 large cent	1818 large cent
1819 large cent	1827 large cent
1853 half dime	1835 dime
1841 dime	

**Remarks:** Artifacts spread out evenly over approximately 30 acres. Probably once a work site. **Artifacts:** Approximately 150 buttons, mostly back marked, some spun back type, Regiment of



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Artillerists button (AY37A -- 1811 to 1813), Regiment of Rifleman button (RF9B), Navy button (NA9), knee buckle, 3 brass rings, beer keg spout.

### **SITE # 12      BURLINGTON COUNTY, NEW JERSEY**

#### **Recovered coins: 61 total**

No date William III halfpenny	1735 halfpenny
1740 halfpenny	1777 counterfeit halfpenny
1773 Virginia copper	1773 Virginia copper
1788 New Jersey copper	NJ copper, no date
NJ copper, no date	1783 Georgius Triumpho
1778 cut 1/2 French ecu	1775 Spanish 1 real
1782 Spanish 1 real	1807 Spanish 1/2 real
1782 Spanish 1/2 real	No date Spanish 1/2 real
1794 half cent	1795 half cent
1797 half cent	1794 large cent
1813 large cent	1818 large cent
1838 large cent	1814 dime

**Remarks:** Artifacts spread out over approximately 30 acres with 2 major concentrations that were probably house sites or some other type of structure. **Artifacts:** Approximately 150 buttons, both spun back and back marked, Artillery button 1<sup>st</sup> Regiment (AY21 - 1802 to 1808), Navy button (NA8), Jews harp.

### **SITE # 13      BURLINGTON COUNTY, NEW JERSEY**

#### **Recovered coins: 35 total**

1745 halfpenny	1812 large cent
1779 cut 1/2 guinea	1813 large cent
1792 French copper	1817 large cent
1793 large cent	1831 large cent
1798 large cent	1845 large cent
1808 half cent	1852 3-cent silver

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**Remarks:** Artifacts concentrated. Probably was once a house site or some other type of structure. Some later coinage was also found dating to 1863 but not recorded or included in the survey.

**Artifacts:** Approximately 50 buttons, mostly back marked, some spun back type, General Service button (GI70), silver cuff link.

**SITE # 14      BURLINGTON COUNTY, NEW JERSEY**

**Recovered coins: 4 total**

1838 large cent

No date Spanish 1/2 real

**Remarks:** Artifacts concentrated. Probably was once a house site or other type of structure. **Artifacts:** none notable, just a few buttons.

**SITE # 15      BURLINGTON COUNTY, NEW JERSEY**

**Recovered coins: 11 total**

1659 Irish town token

1694 Wm. & Mary halfpenny

1724 halfpenny

1781 Irish halfpenny

1797 half cent

1801 large cent

**Remarks:** Artifacts concentrated. Probably was once a house site or other type of structure. **Artifacts:** Approximately 40 buttons, mostly spun back, some back marked, few vent back, one early 1700's solid pewter type button, cuff link with anchor.

**SITE # 16      BURLINGTON COUNTY, NEW JERSEY**

**Recovered coins: 4 total**

1797 half cent

ND George counterfeited III halfpenny

No date Connecticut copper

1773 Virginia Copper

**Remarks:** Artifacts concentrated. Probably was once a house site or other type of structure. **Artifacts:** Approximately 20 buttons, mostly spun back, some back marked, beer keg spout.

**SITE # 17      BURLINGTON COUNTY, NEW JERSEY**

**Recovered coins: 4 total**

1797 cartwheel penny

1800 large cent

**Remarks:** Artifacts concentrated. Probably was once a house site of some other type of structure. **Artifacts:** Approximately 15 buttons.

**SITE # 18      BURLINGTON COUNTY, NEW JERSEY**

**Recovered coins: 3 total**

1693 Irish halfpenny

1723 Irish Wood's halfpenny

1739 halfpenny

**Remarks:** Artifacts concentrated. Probably was once a house site or other type of structure. **Artifacts:** Approximately 15 buttons, mostly spun back type, one large pewter coat button, lead seal with French Coat of Arms, 6-pound cannon ball.

**SITE # 19      BURLINGTON COUNTY, NEW JERSEY**

**Recovered coins: 5 total**

1787 New Jersey copper

1801 large cent

1804 large cent

1825 large cent

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**Remarks:** Artifacts concentrated. Probably was once a house site or some other type of structure. **Artifacts:** Approximately 20 buttons, both spun back and back marked, cuff link with running deer (Tallio).

**SITE # 20      BURLINGTON COUNTY, NEW JERSEY**

**Recovered coins: 31 total**

1710 Spanish Netherlands Copper	1740 halfpenny
1721 halfpenny	1744 Spanish 1/2 real
1722 Irish Wood's halfpenny	1786 New Jersey copper
1723 farthing	1794 large cent
1731 halfpenny	1796 large cent
1732 halfpenny	No date Wm. III halfpenny
1733 halfpenny	No date Charles II farthing
1735 halfpenny	No dates, 3 Irish Woods halfpenny

**Remarks:** Artifacts concentrated. Probably was once a house site or other type of structure. **Artifacts:** Approximately 50 buttons, mostly spun back, some vent back, few back marked, figure 8 shoe buckle of late 1600's to early 1700's, silver cuff link.

**SITE # 21      BURLINGTON COUNTY, NEW JERSEY**

**Recovered coins: 4 total**

1735 halfpenny	1838 large cent
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**Remarks:** Artifacts concentrated. Probably was once a house site or other type of structure. **Artifacts:** Approximately 15 buttons, General Service button (GI70A).

**SITE # 22      BURLINGTON COUNTY, NEW JERSEY**

**Recovered coins: 4 total**

1787 Fugio copper  
1809 half cent

1809 half cent

**Remarks:** Artifacts concentrated. Probably was once a house site or some type of structure. **Artifacts:** Approximately 15 buttons.

**SITE # 23      BURLINGTON COUNTY, NEW JERSEY**

**Recovered coins: 4 total**

1772 counterfeit halfpenny  
1805 half cent

1786 New Jersey copper

**Remarks:** Artifacts concentrated. Probably was once a house site or some other type of structure. **Artifacts:** Approximately 50 buttons, mostly spun back, some vent back, few back marked. One Spanish pillar style pewter button dated 1744.

**SITE # 24      PHILADELPHIA, PENNSYLVANIA**

Not included in this survey, since not New Jersey

**SITE # 25      BURLINGTON COUNTY, NEW JERSEY**

**Recovered coins: 3 total**

1787 New Jersey copper  
1843 large cent

1830 large cent

**Remarks:** Artifacts concentrated. Probably was once a house site or some other type of structure. **Artifacts:** Approximately 40

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buttons, mostly back marked, some spun back type, Regiment of Artillery button (AY34A -- 1811 to 1813), 2 beer keg spouts, key.

**SITE # 26      BURLINGTON COUNTY, NEW JERSEY**

**Recovered coins: 2 total**

1778 Machin's Mills copper

1787 New Jersey copper

**Remarks:** Artifacts concentrated. Probably was once a house site or some other type of structure. **Artifacts:** Approximately 25 buttons spun back type, cuff link with anchor, silver cuff link, knee buckle.

**SITE # 27      BURLINGTON COUNTY, NEW JERSEY**

**Recovered coins: 13 total**

1753 Dutch duit

1755 Portuguese 10 reis

1782 Spanish 1/2 real

1804 half cent

1818 large cent

1826 large cent

1832 half dime

1836 large cent

1840 large cent

1847 large cent

1852 large cent

1821 farthing

**Remarks:** Artifacts spread out over approximately 30 acres. Probably was once some type of work site or area used by the military due to the large numbers of various type military buttons. A large amount of later coinage was found dating to the early 1870's but not recorded or included in the survey. **Artifacts:** Approximately 100 buttons, mostly back marked, some spun back type. 2 Marines button (MC2 and MC4), Artillery Corps button (AY55A -- 1814 to 1821), US Infantry button 15<sup>th</sup> Regiment (R15B), Navy button (NA66E), British button (Barons Court Rangers), Andrew Jackson back marked coat button (PC77).

**SITE # 28      BURLINGTON COUNTY, NEW JERSEY**

**Recovered coins: 7 total**

1772 Spanish 2 reales  
1807 half cent

1794 large cent  
1837 hard times token

**Remarks:** Artifacts concentrated. Probably was once a house site or some other type of structure. **Artifacts:** Approximately 25 buttons, both spun back and back marked.

**SITE # 29      BURLINGTON COUNTY, NEW JERSEY**

**Recovered Coins: 10 total**

Spanish cut 1/2 of 1 real cob  
Spanish cut 1/2 of 1 real cob  
1698 halfpenny  
1718 halfpenny  
1723 halfpenny

No date Chas. II halfpenny  
No date Chas. II halfpenny  
No date Wm. III halfpenny  
No date Wm. III halfpenny  
No date Wm. III halfpenny

**Remarks:** Artifacts concentrated. Probably was once a house site or some other type of structure. **Artifacts:** Approximately 30 buttons of the doublet type (1600's), few button caps of the early 1700's, brass stamp of swan, cuff link with crown, 1/3 of cannon ball.

**SITE # 30      MERCER COUNTY, NJ**

**Recovered coins: 7 total**

1698 halfpenny  
1700 halfpenny  
1738 halfpenny

1699 halfpenny  
1737 halfpenny  
1794 large cent

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**Remarks:** Artifacts concentrated. Probably was once a house site or some other type of structure. **Artifacts:** Approximately 25 buttons, mostly spun back and vent back, some back marked type.

**SITE # 31      BURLINGTON COUNTY, NEW JERSEY**

**Recovered coins: 11 total**

1787 New Jersey copper	1834 half cent
1788 Spanish 1/2 real	1835 half dime
1801 large cent	1838 large cent
1803 large cent	1816 large cent
1826 half cent	

**Remarks:** Artifacts spread evenly over approximately 10 acres of field. Probably was once some type of work site. **Artifacts:** Approximately 25 buttons, mostly back marked, some spun back, 2 Navy buttons (NA57C and NA86cv).

**SITE # 32      BURLINGTON COUNTY, NEW JERSEY**

**Recovered coins: 9 total**

1754 Spanish 1/2 real	1777 Spanish 1/2 real
1796 large cent	1807 half cent
1847 half dime	

**Remarks:** Artifacts spread evenly over approximately 5 acres of field. Probably was some type of work site. **Artifacts:** Approximately 20 buttons, both spun back and back marked, silver thimble, shoe buckle with design.



**Recovered coins: 33 total**

1723 Woods halfpenny	1737 Irish halfpenny
1753 Spanish 1 real	1782 Spanish 1/2 real
Spanish 1/2 real Carolus III	Spanish 1/2 real Carolus III
1783 Spanish 1/2 real	179? cut 1/2 French sou
1800 half cent	1800 half cent
1806 half cent	1834 half cent
1801 large cent	1807 large cent
1811 large cent	1817 large cent
1845 large cent	1799 large cent
1811 large cent	1845 half dime
1833 dime	1805 dime

**Remarks:** Artifacts spread evenly over approximately 20 acres of field. Probably was once some type of work site. **Artifacts:** Approximately 150 buttons, mostly back marked, some spun back type. British Navy Captain button of Post Revolutionary War, Infantry button (R32G) brass, Navy button (NA6E), brass ring, Jews harp, knee buckle.

**SITE # 34      BURLINGTON COUNTY, NEW JERSEY**

**Recovered coins: 14 total**

1659 Irish town token	No date Wm. & Mary tin halfpenny
1698 halfpenny	1787 New Jersey copper
1737 halfpenny	1825 half cent
1794 large cent	1816 large cent
1818 large cent	1827 large cent
1834 half cent	1850 large cent
1856 large cent	

**Remarks:** Artifacts concentrated. Probably was once a house site or some other type of structure. Some later coinage of the early 1860's was also found but not recorded or included in the survey.

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**Artifacts:** Approximately 20 spun back and back marked buttons, silver design shoe buckle.

**SITE # 35      BURLINGTON COUNTY, NEW JERSEY**

**Recovered coins: 6 total**

1774 Spanish 1/2 real

1800 large cent

1820 large cent

1775 counterfeit halfpenny

1801 large cent

**Remarks:** Artifacts concentrated. Probably was once a house site or some type of structure. **Artifacts:** Approximately 30 buttons, mostly back marked, some spun back. Andrew Jackson Victory back marked button.

**SITE # 36      BURLINGTON COUNTY, NEW JERSEY**

**Recovered coins: 22 total**

1773 Spanish 1/2 real

1774 Spanish 1/2 real

1781 Spanish 1/2 real

1784 Spanish 1/2 real

1786 Spanish 1/2 real

1807 Spanish 1/2 real

1782 Spanish 1 real

1825 half cent

1814 large cent

1822 large cent

1825 large cent

No date Spanish 1/2R Carolus III

1781 Spanish 1/2 real

1783 Spanish 1/2 real

1786 Spanish 1/2 real

1802 Spanish 1/2 real

1773 Spanish 1 real

1807 half cent

1801 large cent

1820 large cent

1823 large cent

**Remarks:** Artifacts spread out over approximately 10 acres of woods adjacent to site number 35. Probably some type of work or trade site due to the high percentage of silver. **Artifacts:** One silver cuff link, no buttons.

**SITE # 37     BURLINGTON COUNTY, NEW JERSEY**

**Recovered coins: 4 total**

1723 halfpenny  
1837 hard time token

1734 halfpenny  
Magellan token (tin jetton)

**Remarks:** Artifacts concentrated in woods. Probably was once a house site or other type of structure. **Artifacts:** Approximately 15 buttons, mostly back marked, some spun back.

**SITE # 38     MIDDLESEX COUNTY, NEW JERSEY**

**Recovered coins: 15 total**

1772 Spanish 1 real  
1832 half dime  
1853 half dime

1845 large cent  
1853 half dime  
1858 half dime

**Remarks:** Artifacts concentrated. Probably was once a house site or other type of structure. Some coppers extending up to 1865 also found but not recorded or included in survey. **Artifacts:** Approximately 40 buttons mostly back marked, some spun back type.

**SITE # 39     BURLINGTON COUNTY, NEW JERSEY**

**Recovered coins: 14 total**

No date Wm. III halfpenny  
1701 halfpenny  
1773 Virginia copper  
1810 half cent

No date Wm. III halfpenny  
1740 halfpenny  
1794 large cent

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**Remarks:** Artifacts concentrated. Probably was once a house site or other type of structure. **Artifacts:** Approximately 30 buttons, mostly spun back, some vent back, few back marked.

**SITE # 40      BURLINGTON COUNTY, NEW JERSEY**

**Recovered coins: 5 total**

1745 halfpenny

1749 farthing

1767 Danish West Indies 12 skilling

**Remarks:** Artifacts scattered over approximately 5 acres. Probably some was once some type of work site. **Artifacts:** Approximately 15 buttons, mostly spun back, some back marked.

**SITE # 41      BURLINGTON COUNTY, NEW JERSEY**

**Recovered coins: 8 total**

1723 Irish Wood's halfpenny

1723 Irish Wood's farthing

1723 halfpenny

1724 Irish Woods halfpenny

No date Chas. II farthing

No date Wm. III halfpenny

No date Wm. III halfpenny

No date Irish Wood's halfpenny

**Remarks:** Artifacts concentrated. Probably was once a house site or other type of structure. **Artifacts:** Approximately 20 buttons, mostly back, some spun back, 2 doublet type buttons from the 1600's.

**SITE # 42      BURLINGTON COUNTY, NEW JERSEY**

**Recovered coins: 26 total**

Roman (Constantine) era coin

1701 halfpenny cut 1/2

1745 halfpenny

1762 Spanish 1/2 real

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1778 Spanish 1/2 real	1792 Spanish counterfeit cut 1/2 8R
1796 Spanish counterfeit cut 1/2 8R	1804 half cent
1809 half cent	1809 half cent
1826 half cent	1812 large cent
1812 large cent.	1812 large cent
1822 large cent	1825 large cent
1825 large cent	1832 large cent
1843 half dime	1834 dime

**Remarks:** Artifacts spread out over approximately 40 acres with one major concentration. Probably was once some type of work site. **Artifacts:** Approximately 150 buttons, mostly back marked, some spun back. Regiment of Artillerists button (AY36), Regiment of Rifleman button (RF5), Andrew Jackson back mark button (PC76), British Artillery button Post Revolutionary War.

### **SITE # 43 BURLINGTON COUNTY, NEW JERSEY**

#### **Recovered coins: 5 total**

1734 halfpenny	1771 halfpenny counterfeit
1775 Spanish 1 real	1818 large cent
1822 large cent	

**Remarks:** Artifacts concentrated. Probably was once a house site or other structure. **Artifacts:** Approximately 20 buttons, mostly back marked, some spun back. Regiment of Rifleman (RF3), Martin Van Buren (PC121A), scale weight with "# 3."

### **SITE # 44 BURLINGTON COUNTY, NEW JERSEY**

#### **Recovered coins: 11 total**

1723 halfpenny	1792 Spanish 1/2 real
1803 half cent	1804 half cent
1807 half cent	1808 half cent
1814 large cent	No date New Jersey copper

**Remarks:** Artifacts concentrated. Probably was once a house site or some other type of structure. **Artifacts:** Approximately 30 buttons, mostly back marked, some spun back, beer keg spout.

**SITE # 45      BURLINGTON COUNTY, NEW JERSEY**

**Recovered coins: 9 total**

1723 Irish Wood's halfpenny	1778 Spanish 1/2 real
1791 Lancaster halfpenny	1796 large cent
1810 large cent	1814 large cent
1823 large cent	1829 large cent
1814 Portuguese copper	

**Remarks:** Artifacts concentrated. Probably was once a house site or some other type of structure. **Artifacts:** Approximately 30 buttons, generally back marked, few spun back, Navy button (NA81bv).

**SITE # 46      BURLINGTON COUNTY, NEW JERSEY**

**Recovered coins: 5 total**

1742 Spanish 1 real	1789 Spanish (Madrid) 1/2 real
1800 Irish farthing	

**Remarks:** Artifacts scattered over approximately 5 acres. Probably was once a work site. **Artifacts:** Few buttons.

**SITE # 47      BURLINGTON COUNTY, NEW JERSEY**

**Recovered coins: 11 total**

Counterfeit cob	1826 large cent
1807 half cent	1828 large cent

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1810 half cent

1841 dime

1876 quarter

1826 half cent

1856 quarter

**Remarks:** Artifacts scattered over approximately 10 acres. Probably was once a work site. **Artifacts:** Approximately 35 buttons, mostly back marked, some spun back, some hollow type.

### **SITE # 48 BURLINGTON COUNTY, NEW JERSEY**

#### **Recovered coins: 3 total**

1736 halfpenny

1787 Connecticut copper

**Remarks:** Artifacts concentrated. Probably was once a house site or other type of structure. **Artifacts:** Approximately 12 buttons, mostly spun back, some vent back type.

### **SITE # 49 MIDDLESEX COUNTY, NEW JERSEY**

#### **Recovered coins: 5 total**

1652 Massachusetts cut 1/4 shilling

1838 large cent

1781 Spanish 2 real

1843 large cent

**Remarks:** Artifacts spread out evenly over 5 acres of field. Probably was once a work site. **Artifacts:** Approximately 10 buttons with back marks.

### **SITE # 50 BURLINGTON COUNTY, NEW JERSEY**

#### **Recovered coins: 29 total**

No date Charles II farthing

1740 halfpenny

Spanish 1 real cob

1772 Spanish 1/2 real

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1781 Spanish 1/2 real	1782 Spanish 1 real
1794 large cent	1800 large cent
1813 large cent	1813 large cent
1816 large cent	1818 large cent
1827 large cent	1843 dime
1853 half dime	

**Remarks:** Artifacts scattered over approximately 20 acres of field with one major concentration. Probably was once some type of work site. **Artifacts:** Approximately 50 buttons, both spun back and back marked. Artillery button (AY30), Regiment of Artillerists button (1811 to 1813).

### **SITE # 51 BURLINGTON COUNTY, NEW JERSEY**

#### **Recovered coins: 9 total**

1738 halfpenny	1810 large cent
1818 large cent	1819 large cent
1829 large cent	1857 large cent
No date Connecticut copper	

**Remarks:** Artifacts concentrated. Probably was once a house site or other type of structure. **Artifacts:** approximately 40 buttons, mostly back marked, some spun back. Navy button (NA69), Artillery button (AY64), button with Irish harp and clover.

### **SITE # 52 MERCER COUNTY, NEW JERSEY**

#### **Recovered coins: 13 total**

1737 halfpenny	1794 large cent
1801 large cent	1802 large cent
1816 large cent	1838 large cent



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**Remarks:** Artifacts concentrated. Probably was once a house site or other type of structure. **Artifacts:** approximately 40 buttons, mostly back marked, some spun back.

### **SITE # 53      BURLINGTON COUNTY, NEW JERSEY**

#### **Recovered coins: 18 total**

No date William III halfpenny  
1694 halfpenny  
1723 halfpenny  
1778 Machin's Mills copper  
1794 large cent  
1797 large cent  
1818 large cent  
1838 large cent

No date William III halfpenny  
1717 halfpenny  
1760 Irish halfpenny  
1781 Irish halfpenny  
1797 large cent  
1816 large cent  
1820 large cent

**Remarks:** Artifacts concentrated. Probably was once a house site or other type of structure. **Artifacts:** Approximately 30 buttons, mostly spun back, some back marked, some vent back type, pewter spoon 7-3/4 inches in length.

### **SITE # 54      BURLINGTON COUNTY, NEW JERSEY**

#### **Recovered coins: 14 total**

1723 Woods halfpenny  
1723 halfpenny  
1744 Irish halfpenny  
1794 large cent

No date Woods halfpenny  
1723 farthing  
1787 Spanish 2 reales  
No date cut 1/2 Connecticut copper

**Remarks:** Artifacts concentrated. Probably was once a house site or other type of structure. **Artifacts:** Approximately 35 buttons, mostly spun back, some vent back, some caps of early 1700's, vent backs. Cuff link with running fox, scale weight marked 2S with PS, scale weight marked 6S with PS.

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**SITE # 55      BURLINGTON COUNTY, NEW JERSEY**

**Recovered coins: 6 total**

1771 Spanish 2 reales

1825 Portuguese copper

1849 large cent

1794 large cent

1827 large cent

1850 large cent

**Remarks:** Artifacts spread evenly over approximately 30 acres of field. Probably was once some type of work site. **Artifacts:** Approximately 30 buttons, mostly back marked, some spun back. Marines button (MC5), E Pluribus Unum button (UU133), pair of cuff links with anchors, calendar with date of 1782.

**SITE # 56      BURLINGTON COUNTY, NEW JERSEY**

**Recovered coins: 20 total**

1783 Nova Constellatio

1808 large cent

1814 large cent

1826 large cent

1785 Nova Constellatio

1812 large cent

1817 large cent

No date Irish George II halfpenny

**Remarks:** Artifacts concentrated. Probably was once a house site or some other type of structure. **Artifacts:** Approximately 25 buttons, mostly spun back, some vent back, some back marked. Navy button (NA6E).

**TABLE 1. DATES OF REIGN FOR FOREIGN RULERS**

<b>RULER</b>	<b>DATE OF REIGN</b>
<b>ENGLAND/IRELAND</b>	
Charles II	1660-1685
James II	1685-1688
William & Mary	1689-1694
William III	1694-1702
Anne	1702-1714
George I	1714-1727
George II	1727-1760
George III	1760-1820
George IV	1820-1830
<b>SPAIN</b>	
Charles II	1665-1700
Philip V	1700-1746
Louis I	1724
Ferdinand VI	1746-1759
Charles III	1759-1788
Charles IV	1788-1808
Ferdinand VII	1808-1833
<b>FRANCE</b>	
Louis XV	1715-1774
Louis XVI	1774-1793

**TABLE 2. SUMMARY OF 1000 COINS  
DUG IN SOUTHERN NEW JERSEY.**

<b>TYPE</b>	<b>NUMBER</b>
Charles II farthing	13
William & Mary halfpence	4
Tin William & Mary halfpenny	1
William III halfpence	41
William III halfpenny cut 1/2 (1701)	1
William III farthing	5
George I halfpence	30
George I farthing	5
George II halfpence	73
Counterfeit George II halfpence	2
George II farthing	11
George III coppers (Soho mint & cartwheels)	6

Counterfeit Geo. III halfpence	29
Counterfeit Geo. III halfpenny cut 1/2	1
George III cut 1/2 gold guinea (1779)	1
Irish William & Mary halfpence	3
Irish George II halfpence	11
Irish George III halfpence	14
Irish George III farthing (1800)	1
Irish Woods halfpence	20
Irish Woods farthing (1723)	1
Irish 17 <sup>th</sup> century town tokens	3
Roman (Constantine)	1
Spanish Pillar 1/2 real	4
Spanish Carolus III 1/2 real	41
Spanish Carolus IIII 1/2 real	7
Spanish Ferdinand VII 1/2 real	8
Spanish (Madrid) Philippus 1 real (1742)	1
Spanish Pillar 1 real (1753)	1
Spanish Carolus III 1 real (One from Madrid mint)	6
Spanish Carolus IIII 1 real	1
Spanish (Seville) Philippus 2 reales pistareen (1725)	1
Spanish Pillar 2 reales (1771)	1
Spanish Carolus III 2 reales	5
Spanish Carolus IIII 2 reales	3
Span. Car.III cut 1/2 of 8 reales (counterfeit)	1
Span. Car.III cut 1/2 of 8 reales (counterfeit)	6
Spanish Cob cut 1/2 of 1 real	2
Spanish Cob 1 real	1
Spanish Cob 1 real (counterfeit)	1
Spanish Copper Carolus III & IIII	3
French Silver Ecu (1778) cut 1/2	1
French 30 Sous Silver Louis XVI cut 1/2	1
French coppers late 18 <sup>th</sup> century	8
Portuguese coppers mid to late 18 <sup>th</sup> cent.	9
Portuguese copper early 19 <sup>th</sup> century	1
Russian kopeck (1812)	1
Canadian tokens early 19 <sup>th</sup> Century	4
German / Danish coppers	5
Spanish Netherlands copper (1710)	1
Danish West Indies 12 skilling (1767)	1
Danish West Indies 24 skilling	1
Machin's Mills copper	2
Georgius Triumpho token	1
Nova Constellatio	5

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NJ copper	36
CT copper	10
CT copper cut 1/2	1
VA copper	5
MA cut 1/4 silver shilling (Pine Tree)	1
Fugio Cent	2
US Liberty Cap large cent	20
US Liberty Cap half cent	6
US Draped Bust large cent	58
US Draped Bust large cent cut	2
US Draped Bust half cent	42
US Classic Head large cent	26
US Classic Head large cent cut 1/2	1
US Classic Head half cent	40
US Coronet large cent	154
US Coronet half cent	1
US Hard Time tokens	4
US Other tokens	3
US Draped Bust dollar (1799)	1
US Draped Bust dime (1805)	1
US Draped Bust half dime (1803)	1
US Cap Bust half dollar (1808)	1
US Cap Bust dime	4
US Cap Bust half dime	6
US Seated dime	4
US Seated half dime	10
3 Cent Silver	5
Non – Attributed coins	<u>144</u>
TOTAL COINS	1,000

NOTE: Non – Attributed coins are generally due to corrosion, few to wear. Accuracy of count between counterfeit George III and Machin's Mills coppers is questionable due to corrosion. English and Irish coppers listed may include counterfeits not identifiable due to corrosion.

**TABLE 3. THE SURVEY WITH CONDENSED CATEGORIES**

**COLONIAL/FOREIGN COINS**

222 English coppers, including 34 farthings and 188 halfpence  
1 English cut half of a gold guinea  
53 Irish coppers, including 1 farthing and 52 halfpence  
90 Spanish silver coins, including 60 (1/2 reals), 9 (1 real),  
7 cut counterfeit 8 reales, 4 genuine cobs, 1 counterfeit cob.  
3 Spanish coppers  
34 other foreign coins, including a Roman Constantine era coin  
1 Massachusetts cut quarter of a shilling  
5 Virginia Coppers  
1 Machin's Mill coppers  
1 Georgius Triumpho copper  
5 Nova Constellatio coppers  
36 New Jersey coppers  
11 Connecticut coppers  
2 Fugio coppers  
TOTAL: 466

**US MINT COINS AND TOKENS**

350 US Coppers including 89 half-cents and 261 large cents  
33 US Silver coins  
7 US Tokens  
TOTAL: 390

**NON-ATTRIBUTABLE (Other than to metal type) TOTAL: 144**

METAL TYPE	NUMBER	PERCENTAGE
Copper	871	87.10%
Silver	128	12.80%
Gold	1	0.10%

**TABLE 4. SPANISH SILVER BY MINT MARK**

DATE	MINT MARK	SITE	DATE	MINT MARK	SITE
1/2 Real			1 Real		
1744	Mexico City	20	1742	Madrid	46
1757	Lima LMA	xx	1753	Mexico City	33
1772	Mexico City	50	1773	Potosi PTS	36
1772	Mexico City	5	1774	Seville	2
1773	Not Legible	36	1775	Mexico City	43
1774	Mexico City	36	1779	Not Legible	38
1774	Mexico City	xx	1782	Mexico City	12
1774	Mexico City	10	1782	Not Legible	36
1774	Mexico City	35	1803	Mexico City	11
1776	Not Legible	36	2 Reales		
1776	Mexico City	3			
1778	Mexico City	42	1725	Seville	5
1778	Mexico City	45	1771	Mexico City	55
1779	Mexico City	xx	1772	Guatemala	28
1780	Mexico City	xx	1781	Mexico City	49
1781	Mexico City	11	1784	Mexico City	13
1781	Mexico City	xx	1785	Mexico City	1
1781	Mexico City	36	1787	Nueva Guatemala	54
1781	Mexico City	36	1795	Not Legible	xx
1781	Not Legible	36	1804	Mexico City	xx
1782	Mexico City	33	Counterfeit 8 Reales/Cut Halves		
1782	Mexico City	12			
1783	Nueva Guatemala	33	1787	Mexico City	11
1783	Mexico City	36	1790	Mexico City	xx
1784	Mexico City	xx	1792	Mexico City	42
1786	Mexico City	36	1793	Mexico City	5
1788	Not Legible	11	1796	Mexico City	42
1788	Mexico City	31			
1791	Mexico City	3			
1792	Mexico City	44			
1797	Mexico City	11			
1802	Nueva Guatemala	36			
1807	Mexico City	12			
1807	Mexico City	36			
1814	Mexico City	11			
1814	Not Legible	3			
1815	Mexico City	xx			
1817	Mexico City	xx			

NOTE: The remainder of Spanish silver pieces not listed here are heavily worn. The dates and/or mint marks are not legible. Therefore, less coins are listed here than the total found.

I have included Table 5, which provides information on other significant finds that were not included in this study.

**TABLE 5. ADDITIONAL IMPORTANT FINDS NOT IN THE SURVEY**

<b>FIND</b>	<b>DATE</b>	<b>LOCATION</b>
Liard De France, young bust copper	No date	Burlington County, NJ
Liard De France, young bust copper	No date	Ocean County, NJ
Vermont landscape copper (holed at center by square nail)	1785	Burlington County, NJ
Vermont Copper (bust right)	No date	Burlington County, NJ
William Pitt halfpenny token	1766	Burlington County, NJ
Chain cent (Entire edge and rim flattened around the coin up to where the design of the chain begins.)	1793	Burlington County, NJ

## **CONCLUSION:**

The repetitive finding of foreign coins at numerous sites shows how abundantly they circulated in early America, and how they should be considered as a major part in the development of our great country. We used all coins that came our way, both before, and especially after the Revolutionary War, and most certainly what was allotted to us by our mother country, England.

The sites listed on my survey may give insight as to the extent in our use of foreign coins well into the 19<sup>th</sup> century. One can notice that at many of the sites, a large percentage of coins are grouped closely in relation to their date with an occasional few coins showing dates between 30 and 50, sometimes up to 100 years earlier.



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I believe that in these situations, the earlier coins were probably still circulating in the time period with the majority of the coins found grouped closely in date. In many cases the earlier coins pre-date the existence of the actual site itself.

The coins that I have found represent those which were carried for transactions of everyday use and were dropped at these sites during everyday activities. Larger denominations of silver and gold probably were not carried on their person very often, or even used by common folk at all.

Most of my sites in the Burlington county area are in relatively close proximity to the old Philadelphia mint, between 15 and 40 miles. However dug evidence indicates that many foreign coins continued in use alongside US mint coins for many years thereafter.

Figure 1 (thanks to Ray Williams for the photos) shows some examples of coins included in this survey.

\*\*\* NOTE: All artifacts and coins found on private property were with the owners permission.\*\*\*

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<sup>1</sup>Albert, Alphaeus H., *Record of American Uniform and Historical Buttons Bicentennial Edition*, Boyertown Publishing:1976 (LC #76-58596)

NOTE: realizing the importance of this article, the editor (SFM) provided an early copy of it to Phil Mossman, who provided a critical review. Phil has graciously provided a commentary on Wayne's findings – these will be published in the next C4 Newsletter.
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FIGURE 1. SOME EXAMPLES OF SHELBY'S DUG COINS



## **C4 2003: A PERSONAL PERSPECTIVE**

(Roger Moore)

Any reminiscence of the C4 2003 meeting begins long before 2003. In fact I can't separate the 2003 meeting entirely from all the previous C4 meetings, dating back nine years, since experiences and friendships have built upon one another from the inception of C4. The first C4 meeting and auction in Pennsauken, New Jersey in 1995, including the sale of John Griffiee's reference collection of colonial New Jerseys, remains a water shed event for me. It was at this first official C4 meeting during which I meet John Griffiee and had a chance to solidify my friendships with Ray Williams, Dennis Wierzba, and John Lorenzo – all New Jersey enthusiasts. I have been lucky enough to attend each C4 meeting, since the first, and I was again in Boston for the latest, Ninth Annual meeting. There is symmetry to my attendance at the 2003 meeting, since once again it was the sale of a John Griffiee reference collection, this time of Saint Patrick farthings, that was the highlight of the meeting.

Each C 4 Annual meeting has its own distinct flavor. The flavor of the 2003 C4 was spiced with the sale of the Ford collection of colonials the month before. The agonizing over how much to save for the C4 auction, when presented with the outstanding Ford collection where unlimited money could be spent, produced angst in all of us. This was particularly a problem since the C4 catalog wasn't received until after the Ford sale occurred, so rational decisions on rationing funds for the C4 sale couldn't even be contemplated. However, we all had advanced notice that John's Saint Patricks would be on the block, so we could attempt a plan. The weeks leading up to C4 caused a buzz on the Colonial Group internet list server. There were often 100 or more e-mail messages

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a day!! The combination of the Ford sale having passed and the coming of the C4 auction kept everyone in a frenzied state. When we finally did get our catalogs (some didn't receive them until after the auction), the long hours of work in trying to decide which of the coins we wanted, the prioritization of the coins we "needed," and the circumspect phone discussions with friends, trying to feel out whether they were after the same coins as you, all added to the fun and excitement!!

On Thursday morning, November 6<sup>th</sup>, the time had finally arrived for me to board the plane to Boston. While waiting to board, a strange, clean-faced gentleman approached me and said, "Hi, Roger." I stared at him for a full minute before I realized it was Dan Friedus, without his beard. We have all see Dan's picture attached monthly to his article on colonial coins which appears in *Coin World*, but the picture shows him with a full beard. I am not too abashed at not recognizing him immediately, since he later told me that after shaving his beard his wife didn't recognize him either!! In any case we arranged to sit on the plane together and spent the next few hours "talking coins" non-stop. It was a fantastic start to a great C4!! I also learned a lot about Dan, that I had never had a chance to find out about previously – truly a dedicated family man and numismatist.

Once checked into the Boston Radisson, there was no time to spare before an afternoon of lectures on colonial coin photography began. I was the culprit that instigated these lectures when I asked a simple question (in my mind) concerning what camera to buy on the Colonial Coin group list server a few months before. This question aroused so much interest and debate that a special photography session was planned. Neil Rothschild and Dan Friedus were the ones who stepped up to the plate and gave a seminar for over three hours Thursday afternoon on colonial coin photography. The 20 or so attendees took away an incredible amount of practical knowledge concerning the best methods for photographing their coins. Each lecturer had set up their own cameras and demonstrated exactly what they did to get the great

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shots that we all see on the internet. I memorialized the lecture by taking a picture of the event with my “over-the-counter disposable Kodak camera”, but I forgot to turn on the flash. Oh well, my coins may never get photographed – not because of a lack of equipment but due to “operator error”.

On Thursday night, the C4 reception started at 8 pm with a buffet-style spread available to the 40 or so C4 members. The shrimp went fast!! This was a time to renew old acquaintances and a time to meet new members. For fear of leaving someone out I remember seeing the following free loaders – David Palmer (David there is no animosity intended in my listing you as the first free loader!!), Ray Williams, Dennis Wierzba, Mike Wierzba, David Wnuck, Bob Martin, Leo Shane, Bijan Anvar (without the new baby), Stan Stevens, Frank McGrath, Dan Friedus, Syd Martin, Don Mituzas, Ray Turcotte, Tim Martin, Neil Rothschild, Jim Goudge, Richard August, Tony Carlotto, Frank Stiemle, Brian Danforth, Clem Schettino, Jim Skalbe, Mike Ringo, Don Valenziano, Steve Tanenbaum, Tom Rinaldo, and the list goes on – I just don’t remember everyone that was there – Sorry!!!

After the meal, the smart people when to sleep; but I drifted up to Tom Rinaldo’s room where Chris McCawley and Bob Grellman were overseeing pre-lot viewing. Let me state emphatically that one of the best things C-4 ever did was to enlist the aid of Chris and Bob to run the auction. Their catalogs serve as valuable references and a testimony to their dedication to colonial coins. I also must praise Tom Rinaldo for year after year coming through with fantastic lot descriptions – often at the last minute as consigners of coins delay getting their coins to him. This year was especially difficult, since the Saint Patrick farthings were a tough group to make easy distinctions between. In any case I spent some three enjoyable hours on Thursday night slowly and methodical viewing the auction lots. In addition I did some back room dickering with Tom to pry the 36-J, which he had purchased at Ford, from his possession. I was successful but I think Tom walked away with the better deal!! In coins you win some and you

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lose some, but the coins remain. In any case, I was able to add one new variety to my New Jersey collection and have no regrets.

Friday was spent running from one thing to another. I manned the C4 table for two hours in the morning and helped sign up a few new members. I bought the hard-bound editions of the 2001 and 2002 C-4 auctions and made my yearly visit to Charles Davis's numismatic literature corner. I gave Ray Turcotte a bunch of my counterfeit New Jerseys and George II and II halfpence for x-ray evaluation of metal content. I viewed some of the auction lots once again, after going over my notes and narrowing down what I wanted to bid on; and I circulated through the bourse to see if I could find anything that was left behind by the hoard of colonial collectors that had gone before me – fat chance!! Roger Siboni had arrived and I enjoyed seeing his update of the New Jersey Condition Census which he had brought on his laptop. Part of Roger's project is to write an updated book on New Jersey colonials which includes not only the condition census data, but also an evaluation of die states. We all look forward to getting a copy, Roger!! By late afternoon I had to take a nap before the Friday night educational programs began. By 5:30 pm, Ray Williams started the evening's education off with our annual NJ symposium. Basically, for the next two hours we were in open forum on New Jerseys. Topics ranged from coins in the Condition Census coins whose locations are unknown, (Roger S. indicates the owners of some 10-15% of these coins are not known), to the Barnsley New Jersey notebook number 2 (a copy of which Jim Spilman had just donated to the C4 library), to the Ford sale (of course), to the importance of the 69-w (John Lorenzo and Dennis Wierzba think the coin is very important, while others, including myself, think that coin has little importance in establishing mint sites). I am sure we will hear more on the latter in coming months. Ray Williams, President of the C4, did a great job moderating this session and I would like everyone to know how much of Ray's time and effort goes into making this entire weekend a resounding success. Very few of us see the incredible amount of responsibility that Ray shoulders. Most of the seamless enjoyment that we all get

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from being at the C4 Annual meeting comes directly from Ray's intensive efforts. Kudos to you Ray – you certainly deserve them!! Following the NJ Symposium, a free buffet was provided, and once again I remember the free loaders lining up. Let's see, there was David Palmer (sorry David – I couldn't resist!!) ... In any case, the food was followed by a real treat. Ray had arranged for David Bowers to give a personal presentation of his early memories about becoming a collector and dealer. The packed room was rapt as David Bowers brought up one reminiscence after another. Especially enjoyable was hearing about his appearance on the "Today Show" after paying the outrageous price of \$4,700 for an 1894 dime in the 1950's. I have three pages of notes concerning his recollections, and he signed them for me at the end of his lecture!! Ray Williams also distributed the first "Official Printed C4 Program" to C4 members. It is sure to become a collector's item.

David Bower's talk was followed by John Kraljevich speaking about the coinage of John Chalmers. John was able to bring the coinage to life with stories of early life in Annapolis, Maryland. Of course, the actual coinage took center stage. We learned that the "short worm" coin, showing two birds fighting over a small worm while a large bird-eating snake snuck up on them from the other side of a hedge, was a major political warning!! John's talk was outstanding and in combination with the other lectures and symposium, it could have been a full evening. However, there was yet another fantastic talk to be given by Mike Packard on attributing Massachusetts coins of 1788. His lecture was so cogent and complete (including a wonderful hand out), that the general conclusion at the end of his talk was that he needed to submit his work for publication. I look forward to seeing it published in the near future. By this time I could barely keep my eyes open and left for my room, though Neil Rothschild was back to finish the educational session with a recap on his coin photography lecture from Thursday.

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Saturday morning started off with the C4 business meeting run by Ray Williams and Frank Steimle. A number of things were discussed but primary on the list were books which will hopefully be coming out over the next year. Rob Retz's book on Fugios and John Griffie's book on Saint Patricks will both be welcome additions to our numismatic libraries. Ray asked for nominations for C4 officers and I made the motion that all present officers be reelected. After all, we definitely have a winning team!! In any case at 10 am I had to leave since I had volunteered to chaperon lot viewing for two hours. Interest in viewing the lots was becoming intense due to the rapidly approaching auction. After fulfilling this obligation, I went to hear Mike Packard give a lecture on the personalities at the Massachusetts copper mint between 1787 and 1789. It was another great talk!! Then I collected copies of original 1881 Maris, *A Historical Sketch of the Coins of New Jersey*, which I had requested people bring to C4. I spent an enjoyable afternoon comparing the Maris Plate-I photographs and made some interesting observations with Ray Williams, that we hope to publish soon. In any case, the afternoon passed quickly and the time of the auction arrived in the blink of an eye.

The auction room filled quickly with the usual positioning of bidders in the "way back", the side, or up front. It is fun to arrive early and watch the maneuvering for position that goes on. I was fortunate to sit next to John Griffie and continually hinted about the need for him to get his Saint Patrick book published. I was also kicking myself for having previously turned down Robert Vlack's collection of Saint Patricks which John ended up buying and which were now going onto the block for open bidding. I kicked myself even harder after the auction, when the prices realized were known!! In any case I am sure that John had bitter-sweet feelings about being present for the sale of his collection. I thought it an honor to be able to sit beside him and have him write a note in my catalog. I was able to take a number of pictures of John, which can be viewed on the C4 internet site. One of my favorites is John with Mark Newby. This Mark Newby is a direct descendent of the Mark Newby that brought the Saint Patrick



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coinage to America in the 1600's!! He also turns out to be a neighbor of Dennis Wierzba and Dennis convinced him to come to the auction to acquire some of the coins brought here by his ancestor.

Ron Guth was our auctioneer and using his style of humor, colonial coin knowledge, and auctioning skill, he moved us right into the 678 lot auction. Prices for the Saint Patricks were high and most went to two dealers. I am happy to say, that I was able to secure two of them for my collection. However, I look back with chagrin on one episode of bidding in which I actively participated. The item in question was lot # 204, the Saint Patrick farthing with the "QVIESAT" error. It was my first priority coin, and I was willing to bid strongly on it. I thought it would come in at about \$4,000. Bidding started slow but many bidding cards were waving in the air. I was not alone in wanting the coin. As the price hit \$2,000, many of the cards came down. At \$3,000, only David Wnuck and I were still bidding. As the price hit \$5,000, both David and I were shaking our heads. Being a smart auctioneer, Ron Guth sped up his calling and we were suddenly up to \$6,000 level. I had put a limit of \$6,000 on the coin and I stick to my pre-auction estimates pretty exactly. However, something that should never happen, did happen. I started trying to think during the bidding!! My thinking went something like this, "The price of the coin is now at ridiculous levels. It is my first priority coin, which I should have gotten at the \$4,000 level, but I think David is ready to drop out of bidding any second. Why don't I hold on a little longer?" Unfortunately, I think David was thinking the same thing. When we hit \$8,000, I came to my senses and dropped my card. I guess my bladder is smaller than David's. In any case it is the first time, ever, that I have been relieved that I did not get a coin that I really wanted. David has indicated that he has already sold the coin, so he did not loose out. However, I wonder what the final buyer will eventually get for the coin, when there are no "thinking" bidders on the floor. In any case I was also able to pick up the AU, O'Donnell, Oechsner, Spiro 15-T at a price which was less than for what it sold in the O'Donnell sale. This helped

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assuaged my loss of the “QVIESAT” error coin. The auction ended at a few minutes before midnight and Jon Griffie received a standing ovation.

A number of the bidders then migrated up to Clem, Frank, and Stan’s room for some post auction analysis and some single malt scotch libation. This is usually a great time and this year was no exception. That is until Hotel Security came by to threaten us with expulsion, if we didn’t keep it down!! By 2 am, I wasn’t seeing straight, and had to go to bed. I picked up my lots at 10 am the next morning and was off to the airport. As with every year, there is a period of time after the C4 that I just feel good. The afterglow from the education, the meetings, the coin swapping, the dealing and the auction stay with me for weeks. The 2003 C4 was once again a fantastic experience!!



Learning The Finer Points of  
Of Coin Photography



The Bourse was Busy!



Busy



Busy



Lot Viewing was Brisk!



Books Anyone?



David Bowers



Mark Newby and John Griffie



Concentration at the Auction



Ron and Bob "Bring it in."



## **ESTABLISHING A PROVENANCE IN THE AGE OF EBAY: A PROPOSAL AND CASE STUDY EXAMPLE**

(Dave Townson)

Previous contributors to colonial publications have articulated the necessity to preserve numismatic provenance. However, such writings have tended to focus on the importance of maintaining the record of ownership from transaction to transaction, as opposed to offering suggestions for how one should initiate the process of documentation. Additionally, previous authors have not addressed the potential differences that exist between the traditional numismatic venues of acquisition versus the newer electronic settings. The focus of this article is to propose elements that should be considered when coins are purchased via online auctions, especially those items that have no apparent prior provenance.

I propose that there are two main categories of information that should be captured when initiating a provenance from a coin purchased over the Internet: (1) information related to the item itself, and (2) information related to the transaction. Consider each in turn.

**Item information.** The following are important aspects of the item itself:

Item description

Variety

Grade

Weight

Diameter

Photos

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Prior provenance

Other item information: Die state (if applicable),  
distinguishing marks, etc.

The reasons I am including many elements in this category are somewhat obvious; however, some are not. For example, why include the Seller's item description and starting bid? I believe that in many cases the seller's knowledge of the item is displayed by how they describe the item for sale. As in the example, calling the piece a "1786 Connecticut Cent" illustrates that the Seller possess only the most basic knowledge of the item, hardly much beyond what can be garnered from the coin itself. The fact that, as a type coin, the item was not identified in more detail further supports the case that the seller was unaware of its significance. The opening bid, or starting price, also is an indicator of this and both extremely high or low prices can be an indicator of the seller's level of knowledge.

Of course, a devious seller could pretend to be naïve and just list an item in a manner that would lead potential buyers to believe that they were perhaps getting something over on the seller. But to me, this strategy is typically tactically valid only when the seller is offering something that is counterfeit. Such items often are listed "as is"/"no returns" and may not provide decent photographs (or no photographs at all). This item could have been a good cast copy, and with some slightly fuzzy photographs and a 'no return' clause, it might bring much more than it is worth. I see easily identifiable type coins, such as Bar Coppers, on Ebay all time like this, and there seems to be no shortage of people willing to pay \$50.00 for a \$5.00 copy. Though sometimes you can even get lucky with Bar Coppers.

Lastly, with regard to photos, I went back and forth on this because I was not sure whether I should include the actual photos that were posted with the auction, or the photos that were taken after I obtained the piece. I settled on providing for this article the photos that were taken afterwards because they were of better quality.

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[Editor's note: photos posted with the auction remain the property of the seller and their use without permission would constitute copyright infringement; however, photos taken after the sale by the buyer are his/her property.]

**Transaction Information.** The following are important aspects of the transaction:

- Auction Service
- Seller ID
- Buyer ID
- Item number
- Sale date(s)
- Opening Bid
- Closing Bid
- Bid History: (number of bids)

Someone might ask: 'Why include the sale dates, item number, etc?' Well, I'm not sure if anybody is compiling a vast reference database of items sold on Ebay or not, but this information is documentation that is certainly worth capturing for a new piece to the market. Assuming that there are no catalogs to pull off the shelf where I can find this item listed, its first real introduction to the market will be in publications such as the C4 Newsletter. To me, this information helps to establish a firm foundation for the introduction of this piece to the market.

I toyed with the idea of proposing to include the Bidding History (the list of all bidders on an item, their bid amount, and time). However, I was not sure of the value of this, though I did retain the information for my records. Nevertheless, I do suggest including the number of bids. This is probably only of interest as it helps to infer if the item went unnoticed by the numismatic community –

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which this item did not. The closing price is undoubtedly the best indicator of the extent of competition for the item.

**An Example.** I have chosen a specific example for two reasons. First, because it was purchased on an internet auction service, and second, because I believe the piece is new to the numismatic market.

#### **Item Information**

Item: 1786 Connecticut Copper

Variety: 3.D-1

Grade: VF+

Weight: TBD

Photos: 1 obverse, 1 reverse (see below)

Seller's Item Description: "Connecticut Cent 1786"

Prior Provenance: None known. According to seller the item was purchased at his shop in a miscellaneous lot of copper that had been in the possession of the owner's family since the late 19<sup>th</sup>/early 20<sup>th</sup> century.

#### **Transaction Information**

Auction House: Ebay

Seller ID: Lockdales in Suffolk, UK  
(lockdales@shop1.freemove.co.uk.).

Auction Item number: 1222033770

Sale date: 3/14/01 - 3/21/01

Opening Bid: \$25.00

Closing Bid: \$2,949.00

Buyer ID: muttonhead2000

Bidding Information: 21 Total bids





Connecticut 3.D-1 Purchased Through Ebay

This is the first time I have written to the Newsletter, and I hope that it offers some value to the community. If not, it is hopefully at least somewhat interesting for those collectors of Connecticut coppers. Regarding the coin itself, I was a bit hesitant to place a grade on the piece, as I am not confident of my ability to do so accurately. The pictures seem to do the coin justice overall, and even capture some die clashing on the reverse at about five o'clock (I thank Dave Wnuck for taking the photos for me).



**NUMISMATIC MUSEUM OF ARUBA**  
(Syd Martin)

My wife, Sharon, and I recently returned from a short vacation in Aruba – it was great. While riding around, we noticed an intriguing building labeled “Museo Numismatico Aruba” at the end of Weststraat (West Street). Sounded interesting, so we stopped in, and ended up spending a pleasant hour viewing their collection and discussing numismatics of the Caribbean with their in-house numismatist. The museum, housed in a building built in

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1860, is based on a private collection, which the family has put up for public viewing for a nominal fee. The focus of the collection has been on creating a type set of coins and paper money made for, by, or circulating in Aruba (by whatever name it was known at the time), arranged as a time line spanning the earliest colonial period until the present.

Included in the collection are three specific coins of interest to US Colonial collectors:

- Breen 276; c1695; 15 Sol counterstamp on a Henry II douzain of 1550 (EF)
- Breen 699; c 1779; Billon-neuf Sol Tampe (VF)
- Breen 701; 1767 Collot (VF)

In addition, there were a variety of very early Mexican pieces, including a 1<sup>st</sup> series Charles and Johanna 2 reales. Another interesting piece was a 4 maravedis (c1590) from the Dominican Republic, a copper coin that enjoyed wide circulation throughout the Caribbean region, including Mexico and the southeast coast of the US.





## HISTORICAL NOTES

From "The Massachusetts Centinel," Number 17, Volume V, 17 May 1786, Page 2 (misspellings are as in the original):

"The American Congress have lately made a copper coinage, which is now in general circulation. One side of the half-penny bears this circular inscription, *Libertas et Justitia*, round a central cipher U.S. On the reverse is a sun rising amidst Thirteen Stars, circularly inscribed, *Constellatio nova*.

"The first money struck by the Congress in America is become exceedingly scarce, and only to be met with in the cabinets of the curious. They coined several pieces of pewter of about an inch and a half in diameter, and of 240 grains in weight; on one side of which were inscribed, in a circular ring near the edge, the words – *Continental Currency, 1776* – and within the ring a rising sun, shining upon a dial, with the word – *fugio* – at the side of it; under which were the words *Mind your business*. On the reverse were 13 small circles, joined together like the rings of a chain, on each of which was inscribed the name of some one of the Thirteen States. On another circular ring, within these was inscribed – *American Congress* – and in the central space – *We are one*."

Submitted by Syd Martin



## ANNOUNCEMENTS

As part of a research project I am conducting on Early American Communion Tokens, I am compiling information on existing tokens that are owned by coin collectors. If any C4 members have

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one or more U.S. communion tokens in their collection, and would like to help with the project, then please contact me with the following information (for each token):

- (a) Variety of token (Bason or Burzinski number)
- (b) Previous auction or fixed price list appearances (if any)
- (c) Any unpublished information that you have about the token

The results of my research will eventually be published in book form. If you would like to have your name listed in the "Known Examples" section for the token varieties you own, then please state so explicitly, otherwise I will keep the information that you provide completely confidential.

With my sincere thanks for your help,

Bob Merchant

  
BOBM@CFL.RR.COM

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Roy Bonjour is conducting a survey of the following Vermonts:

32, 33, 34, 35, 37, 38

If you own, have owned, or know about the existence/location of any of these coins, I would like to hear from you. As in my past survey, there will be complete confidentiality if you wish.

Roy Bonjour

  
r.bonjour@att.net



# PRICES REALIZED – 2003 C4 AUCTION

Provided below are the prices realized at the C4 auction held at our national convention. Again, Chris McCawley and Bob Grellman conducted a superb auction, cataloged by Tom Rinaldo and called by Ron Guth.

## 9th ANNUAL C4 CONVENTION SALE -- November 8, 2003, Boston

LOT	HAMMER	LOT	HAMMER	LOT	HAMMER	LOT	HAMMER	LOT	HAMMER	LOT	HAMMER
1	\$950	61	\$210	121	\$125	181	\$275	241	\$75	301	\$140
2	\$3,800	62	\$950	122	\$160	182	\$1,800	242	\$160	302	\$160
3	\$3,000	63	\$750	123	\$50	183	\$260	243	\$400	303	\$140
4	\$2,200	64	\$0	124	\$30	184	\$325	244	\$225	304	\$130
5	\$3,200	65	\$120	125	\$2,700	185	\$750	245	\$400	305	\$250
6	\$2,200	66	\$310	126	\$1,800	186	\$600	246	\$475	306	\$350
7	\$2,900	67	\$240	127	\$3,800	187	\$950	247	\$180	307	\$70
8	\$1,200	68	\$130	128	\$600	188	\$1,300	248	\$350	308	\$170
9	\$120	69	\$150	129	\$350	189	\$325	249	\$1,600	309	\$375
10	\$100	70	\$1,900	130	\$350	190	\$475	250	\$450	310	\$300
11	\$300	71	\$700	131	\$1,400	191	\$1,200	251	\$225	311	\$50
12	\$325	72	\$600	132	\$1,100	192	\$425	252	\$550	312	\$350
13	\$375	73	\$2,450	133	\$1,450	193	\$425	253	\$225	313	\$60
14	\$9,500	74	\$260	134	\$130	194	\$850	254	\$150	314	\$1,300
15	\$650	75	\$500	135	\$200	195	\$1,700	255	\$110	315	\$275
16	\$1,100	76	\$400	136	\$350	196	\$275	256	\$725	316	\$50
17	\$900	77	\$1,700	137	\$900	197	\$400	257	\$475	317	\$70
18	\$1,100	78	\$600	138	\$850	198	\$1,100	258	\$450	318	\$120
19	\$1,450	79	\$200	139	\$750	199	\$1,200	259	\$200	319	\$0
20	\$130	80	\$550	140	\$425	200	\$600	260	\$50	320	\$0
21	\$275	81	\$275	141	\$1,000	201	\$1,000	261	\$80	321	\$500
22	\$180	82	\$1,600	142	\$1,650	202	\$350	262	\$90	322	\$160
23	\$400	83	\$350	143	\$425	203	\$350	263	\$1,200	323	\$130
24	\$350	84	\$600	144	\$300	204	\$8,000	264	\$90	324	\$300
25	\$140	85	\$350	145	\$475	205	\$275	265	\$275	325	\$110
26	\$40	86	\$325	146	\$325	206	\$475	266	\$300	326	\$75
27	\$150	87	\$1,200	147	\$275	207	\$600	267	\$0	327	\$90
28	\$0	88	\$110	148	\$450	208	\$600	268	\$40	328	\$0
29	\$70	89	\$600	149	\$375	209	\$400	269	\$60	329	\$110
30	\$250	90	\$2,500	150	\$900	210	\$250	270	\$130	330	\$160
31	\$275	91	\$375	151	\$425	211	\$200	271	\$40	331	\$30
32	\$350	92	\$525	152	\$475	212	\$650	272	\$170	332	\$800
33	\$110	93	\$500	153	\$1,300	213	\$950	273	\$150	333	\$250
34	\$90	94	\$475	154	\$1,100	214	\$1,300	274	\$0	334	\$55
35	\$70	95	\$450	155	\$375	215	\$750	275	\$35	335	\$120
36	\$575	96	\$850	156	\$600	216	\$285	276	\$90	336	\$0
37	\$350	97	\$600	157	\$2,400	217	\$475	277	\$60	337	\$50
38	\$250	98	\$1,200	158	\$800	218	\$1,300	278	\$150	338	\$40
39	\$600	99	\$2,300	159	\$1,200	219	\$600	279	\$190	339	\$180
40	\$475	100	\$350	160	\$475	220	\$850	280	\$300	340	\$110
41	\$1,600	101	\$1,600	161	\$350	221	\$140	281	\$30	341	\$200
42	\$750	102	\$700	162	\$800	222	\$140	282	\$130	342	\$225
43	\$650	103	\$600	163	\$700	223	\$110	283	\$600	343	\$110
44	\$240	104	\$325	164	\$475	224	\$140	284	\$160	344	\$225
45	\$325	105	\$350	165	\$350	225	\$285	285	\$250	345	\$100
46	\$110	106	\$1,300	166	\$300	226	\$275	286	\$65	346	\$110
47	\$150	107	\$1,500	167	\$500	227	\$120	287	\$65	347	\$275
48	\$180	108	\$375	168	\$300	228	\$140	288	\$600	348	\$120
49	\$70	109	\$800	169	\$1,200	229	\$275	289	\$180	349	\$110
50	\$75	110	\$1,650	170	\$400	230	\$0	290	\$85	350	\$160
51	\$40	111	\$1,900	171	\$850	231	\$160	291	\$160	351	\$80
52	\$170	112	\$2,000	172	\$400	232	\$180	292	\$90	352	\$60
53	\$120	113	\$650	173	\$1,500	233	\$90	293	\$175	353	\$50
54	\$450	114	\$500	174	\$1,800	234	\$235	294	\$140	354	\$140
55	\$1,000	115	\$650	175	\$800	235	\$325	295	\$40	355	\$225
56	\$0	116	\$1,450	176	\$500	236	\$0	296	\$0	356	\$80
57	\$150	117	\$850	177	\$475	237	\$125	297	\$85	357	\$3,200
58	\$350	118	\$80	178	\$1,300	238	\$75	298	\$400	358	\$650
59	\$300	119	\$700	179	\$1,400	239	\$75	299	\$285	359	\$300
60	\$170	120	\$500	180	\$425	240	\$120	300	\$1,400	360	\$1,300

LOT	HAMMER	LOT	HAMMER	LOT	HAMMER	LOT	HAMMER	LOT	HAMMER	LOT	HAMMER	LOT	HAMMER
361	\$225	414	\$350	467	\$750	520	\$220	573	\$20	626	\$150		
362	\$140	415	\$100	468	\$325	521	\$30	574	\$10	627	\$650		
363	\$1,300	416	\$200	469	\$200	522	\$20	575	\$10	628	\$200		
364	\$650	417	\$70	470	\$225	523	\$120	576	\$30	629	\$225		
365	\$225	418	\$125	471	\$500	524	\$20	577	\$20	630	\$650		
366	\$325	419	\$850	472	\$425	525	\$450	578	\$40	631	\$110		
367	\$275	420	\$450	473	\$750	526	\$160	579	\$0	632	\$200		
368	\$900	421	\$425	474	\$250	527	\$110	580	\$350	633	\$3,600		
369	\$120	422	\$900	475	\$400	528	\$40	581	\$110	634	\$900		
370	\$800	423	\$275	476	\$125	529	\$20	582	\$150	635	\$490		
371	\$1,000	424	\$0	477	\$225	530	\$50	583	\$180	636	\$400		
372	\$475	425	\$85	478	\$85	531	\$130	584	\$300	637	\$100		
373	\$600	426	\$0	479	\$300	532	\$40	585	\$180	638	\$130		
374	\$100	427	\$1,800	480	\$210	533	\$20	586	\$40	639	\$1,700		
375	\$525	428	\$600	481	\$1,600	534	\$0	587	\$200	640	\$700		
376	\$800	429	\$0	482	\$95	535	\$40	588	\$300	641	\$275		
377	\$450	430	\$0	483	\$80	536	\$40	589	\$300	642	\$140		
378	\$800	431	\$130	484	\$350	537	\$20	590	\$180	643	\$110		
379	\$100	432	\$110	485	\$150	538	\$300	591	\$220	644	\$750		
380	\$700	433	\$700	486	\$400	539	\$50	592	\$90	645	\$850		
381	\$650	434	\$180	487	\$85	540	\$160	593	\$30	646	\$325		
382	\$650	435	\$200	488	\$85	541	\$70	594	\$20	647	\$350		
383	\$4,800	436	\$70	489	\$110	542	\$40	595	\$1,000	648	\$70		
384	\$190	437	\$95	490	\$0	543	\$30	596	\$40	649	\$300		
385	\$5,750	438	\$0	491	\$250	544	\$60	597	\$20	650	\$160		
386	\$150	439	\$110	492	\$0	545	\$20	598	\$240	651	\$90		
387	\$140	440	\$0	493	\$75	546	\$15	599	\$200	652	\$60		
388	\$525	441	\$225	494	\$2,800	547	\$200	600	\$50	653	\$4,000		
389	\$3,800	442	\$110	495	\$50	548	\$120	601	\$30	654	\$0		
390	\$250	443	\$150	496	\$1,500	549	\$20	602	\$90	655	\$180		
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398	\$0	451	\$225	504	\$200	557	\$30	610	withdrawn	663	\$325		
399	\$1,200	452	\$160	505	\$190	558	\$30	611	\$600	664	\$70		
400	\$100	453	\$150	506	\$30	559	\$60	612	\$0	665	\$1,800		
401	\$200	454	\$60	507	\$140	560	\$130	613	\$675	666	\$400		
402	\$110	455	\$600	508	\$200	561	\$140	614	\$2,400	667	\$1,100		
403	\$100	456	\$1,100	509	\$70	562	\$30	615	\$0	668	\$200		
404	\$90	457	\$3,200	510	\$75	563	\$40	616	\$1,050	669	\$300		
405	\$0	458	\$0	511	\$90	564	\$20	617	\$600	670	\$575		
406	\$125	459	\$1,250	512	\$20	565	\$20	618	\$80	671	\$225		
407	\$150	460	\$0	513	\$80	566	\$20	619	\$350	672	\$110		
408	\$0	461	\$550	514	\$300	567	\$20	620	\$1,750	673	\$60		
409	\$275	462	\$160	515	\$225	568	\$50	621	\$1,800	674	\$25		
410	\$70	463	\$130	516	\$30	569	\$10	622	\$325	675	\$375		
411	\$0	464	\$500	517	\$200	570	\$50	623	\$225	676	\$30		
412	\$225	465	\$550	518	\$80	571	\$70	624	\$250	677	\$30		
413	\$850	466	\$0	519	\$100	572	\$20	625	\$375	678	withdrawn		

**NOTES:**

(1) These represent "hammer" prices, with the actual cost to the buyer being increased from this amount by 10%, the "buyer's fee."

(2) Amounts shown as "0", if not in boldface, indicate lots unsold because they did not reach their reserves; however, boldface entries indicate lots repurchased by the consignor.



## **C4 LIBRARY NEWS**

(Leo Shane, Librarian)

I am happy to announce that the library now has two complete copies of the C4 newsletter available for loan. The larger format issues (No 1-1 to 2-3) are copies but do not contain pictures. All later issues are originals with original pictures.

We continue to get donations and our inventory is becoming quite impressive. Take a look at the C4 website for the most current listing. Below is a list of new donations to the library. Thank You to all. Your contributions are appreciated by all C4 members.

Roger Moore – C4 Newsletter Volume 5 Number 3 ( the last needed to complete our 2 sets)

Rod Widok –Nova Constellatio Attribution Plate and Descriptions

Fred Kolb –Numismatic Book Price List, 19 June 2003 Auction Catalog of “Important Numismatic Books” and 13 November 2003 Auction Catalog of “Important Numismatic Books”

Cecilia Madigan – Auction Catalogs from her late husband and beloved Tom Madigan (These will be listed in the coming months)

Jim Spilman – Barnsley, Edward R., *The Numismatic Notebook of Edward R. Barnsley*; The New Jersey Coppers Notebook, Vol 2 of 2

Stacks –John J. Ford Jr. Collection of Coins, Medals and Currency Part 1 (Continental Dollars, NJ Coppers, VT Coppers, Fugio Cents), 14 October 2003

Also, I would like to acknowledge the continued contribution of copies of the Colonial Newsletter (CNL) by the American Numismatic Society. We maintain a complete set of newsletters available for loan.

Winter, 2003

The library is now taking donations of EAC's Penny Wise Newsletter. If you have any original copies you wish to donate, please write or e mail me so that we can avoid having duplicates.

Various other library projects are in progress including a spreadsheet listing of the club photofiles, video scans of the photofiles (and other pictures) on CD, and video scanning of all of the CNL newsletters. Many volunteers are donating many hours of time and we all owe them our thanks. As these projects are completed, I will announce and thank them individually.

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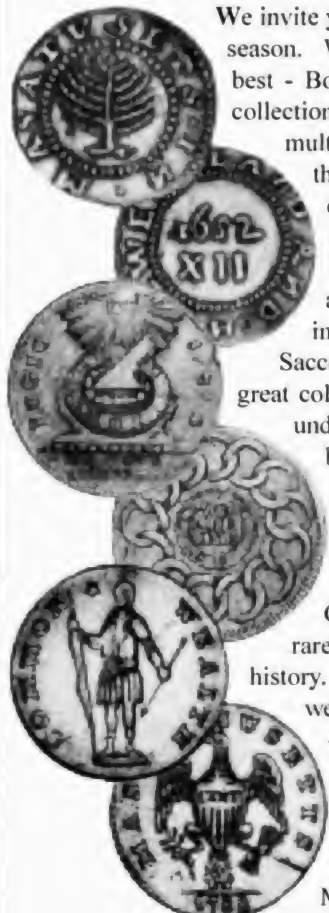
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